Approved For Release 2003/09/30: CIA-RDP77M00144R000800050005-7 Journal - Office of Legislative Counsel Page 5 Monday - 10 March 1975 CIA INTERNAL USE ONLY - GLC) Called Mark Kliman, in the office of Representative Les Aspin, about his inquiries and attempted to explain the basis for the apparent differences in the position taken by Secretary Clements and that of the Agency on the percentage of Soviet GNP devoted to defense. I also told him we were willing to sit down and talk with Aspin about how we arrived at Soviet defense figures and I explained some of the complications involved. Kliman said when they go after somebody they like to do so on the basis of written material but he would take the matter up with Aspin tomorrow to see if he was interested in meeting with Agency representatives. 23. - GLC) Received a call from Pat Holt, Staff Director, Senate Foreign Relations Committee, who asked for a briefing 25X1A Wednesday afternoon on the Iraq/Iran situation. l is setting something up on this. 24. GLC) Called Phil Buchen, White House staff, concerning the Director's letter to him today on H. Res. 72. I went over the letter with Buchen, telling him we were asked by Chairman Price, House Armed Services Committee, for our comments and the matter was coming up before the Democratic Caucus tomorrow. I told him that we were trying to coordinate our response with OMB but had run into difficulties with George Gilbert who said they have not yet gotten s letter. I told Buchen that we could 5X1 LDX a copy of our letter to Price over to him but he said he would get a copy from Gilbert. Buchen then said he understood from one of the congressional relations people that they did not think Holtzman would have the votes to sweep this. I told Buchen that is what we thought but there are no guarantees. Buchen said he had sent a letter directly to Price saying this is a matter that should be dealt with only in the context of the Select Committee. Buchen said he would get back to us as soon as he could. In addition to my call to Buchen, I called Max Friedersdorf and Russ Rourke, White House staff, to alert them to the impending Democratic Caucus action on II. Res. 72 tomorrow and to urge they clear our letter to Chairman Price, House Armed Services Committee, on this Resolution. All agreed to do everything they could on both points. Later in the evening talked with Buchen and Jim Hyde (of OMB) who asked that we modify our letter on H. Res 72 somewhat. With this change

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